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Madame President,

Angola warmly welcomes the delegation of Sierra Leone and thanks them for the update and continued engagement with the HRC mechanism.

Angola commends Sierra Leone for adopting the citizenship law, which provides in particular for the transmission of citizenship by mothers, as well as step taken to increase child protections measures and gender mainstreaming.

Angola notes with appreciation the efficient national authorities' response to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Constructively, Angola would like to recommend Sierra Leone the following:

- 1. Continue strengthen civil registration mechanisms,
- 2. Put in place specific measures with all stakeholders to increase the fight against FGM (female genital mutilation) and hold perpetrators accountable;
- 3. Adopt measures that oblige mining companies to contribute towards sustainable socio-economic development of the areas in which they operate.

Angola wishes Sierra Leone a successful review.

## I thank you, Madame President.